LADIES' FURNISHINGS.

LADIES' DRESSES AND OUTFITS.

TAYLOR & HUFTY,

933 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE Washington, D. C.,

Have during the past few weeks been steadily adding to their supply of

LADIES' AND MISSES' SUITS, and as a result have one of the largest and most varied assortments to be found in America. Immediately that a new article is brought out by the leaders of the mode they take measures to

no supplied with it, so that their lady patrons can always find what they want, or what has been suggested to their fancy anywhere. In PERCALE SUITS their stock is complete. They show Plain and Combination Per-

vales, in Checks and Stripes, and in all colors and shades. The most fastidious taste cannot escape being satisfied, and the prices range as follows: \$3, \$4, \$5, \$5,75 and \$6. In CAMBRIC SUITS they have all shades of Bine, Green, Black and Brown, and with Trimmings, embracing Bands, Plaitings, Lace and Embroideries. The prices are: S4, S4 50, S5, S5 50, S6, S6, S0, S7, 25, \$8, \$11.37 and \$12.

CAMBRIC OVERSKIRTS and BASQUES, in all shades of Blue, Black, Green and Brown, edged with all the stylish tints and trimined in Embroideries, Bands and Torchon Lace, at \$3, \$4, \$5 and \$6.

A full and very elegant time of entirely NEW LINEN SUITS, trimmed in novel and striking designs, and extending in price from \$3 to \$15.50. Linea Overskirts and Basques, in endless va-niety, trimmed in Plattings, Embroideries, Laces and Braided, in all colors and shapes, and at prices from \$3 to \$12.75. Polonaises trimmed in Bands, Plattings and Braide, from \$4 to \$13.50.

LADIES' SUMMER ULSTERS, an indispensable and very "tone-y" garment, in all the latest shapes and with different trimmings, and of all sizes, longths and dimensions, at moderate figures, running from \$2.50 to \$7.50.

The grand department of WHITE SUITS is one of the most important of this house. The stock is large but well selected and unsurpassed for design, make and finish throughout. The different patterns of suits embrace Polonsises or Overskirts and Basques at reduced prices, run-ning from \$5 to \$15; also White Overskirts and Basques from \$3 to \$14 50.

A line of very graceful Polonaises marked down to rates varying from S3 to \$10. Particular attention is called to a lot of stylish White Basques, trimmed with Lace Embroideries, Laces and Ruffles, and marked only \$2.50

They will open this week a new and very superior line of first class LINEN and CAMBRIC SUITS. These will be trimmed with handsome shaded and tinted embroideries, in all the new and becoming colors. They will be marked at the lowest possible figures, and we predict will just suit the taste of fadies who appreciate artistic things.

Je 6-tf 933 Pa. av., Washington, D. C.

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Atlantic Insurance Company,

Offices: { 178 Broadway, New York, 160 Atlantic st., Brooklyn. January 2d, 1877.

ASSETS. United States Bonds (market value)..\$250,031 25 State and City Bonds...... 12,400 C0 Domand Loans 25,600 00 Bonds and Mortgages 98,000 00 Cash on hand and in bank Interest accrued, January 1, 1877 1,237 85 Premiums in course of collection 8,880 33 Balance in hands of Agents 11,296 56

JOHN D. COCKS, President. WM. D. CORNELL, Secretary. H. C. SLAYMAKER, Agent. my 19

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS. REDUCTION IN PRICES OF CHOICE FAMILY BACON. 10,000 LBS EXTRA BACON,

my own curing, put up with great care, for sale at the following REDUCED PRICES: Sugar cured HAMS 14c. BREAST PECES 124c. SHOULDERS 10c.

SIDES and JOWLS at like reduction in rates. Also PURE LEAF LARD, m small packages and tierces, at reduced prices. Call early at SAM'L. J. REED'S, 74 south Fairfax street.

R. W. AVERY, CHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCK-

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NEW STORE! NEW GOODS! NEW PRICEST The subscriber respectfully announces that prices. no bas taken the store NO. 117 KING STREET,

and is prepared to offer a full and carefully sest prices which cannot fail to please. Goods delivered promptly to all parts of the city, and satisfaction guaranteed in every particular. An mspection of stock solicited my 5-tf F. J. DAVIDSON.

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Northeast Corner Cameron and Royal streets ALEXANDRIA, VA. All orders from the country will receive

prompt and careful attention. jan 28 tf GRORGE MCBURNEY & SON,

Dealers in UHOICE FAMILY AND FANCY GROCK-RIKS, WINES AND LIQUORS, ENGLISH and SCOTCH ALE and BROWN STOUT. Also, KASTERN and POTOMAC HERRI

and MACKEREL. NOS. 166 AND 170 KING STREET, (Washington Hall Building,) Alexandria, Va.

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DRY GOODS. CASSIMERES FOR MEN'S AND BOYS

WEAR,

IN GREAT VARIETY. Low priced, medium and very fine qualities

at prices that defy competition. Also Linen Drills in plain and fancy styles,

new Linen Vostings and Blue Mixed Linens for Gents' and Boys' Suits.

PRETZEKLDER & CO., 144 King street.

CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS & MATTINGS.

This department has just been replenished. We are offering entirely new designs in BRUS-SELS CARPETS, and have received from a recent trade sale a lot of INGRAIN CARPETS which we can and will sell at about half their

PRETZFELDER & CO., 144 King street.

BLACKSILKSI BLACK SILKS!

CHEAPER THAN EVER.

We are selling Boiled Taffera Silks at 75c, and handsome Gro. Grains at \$1 per yard, and are offering decided bargains in Striped Summer Silks and in Plain Shades of Silks. It will pay you to inspect our Silk stock before purchasing.

PRETZFELDER & CO.,

144 King street. my 21

NEW LAWNS, New Percals, New Percalines, New Linen Suitings, New Shades of Grass Cloths, Novelties in Dress Ginghams, (Fine effects) elegant line of Now Embroideries, New Styles of White Goods - all at bottom prices.

PRETZFELDER & CO., 144 King street. my 21

RAPIDSALES FROM OUR

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

require us to be in the market at all times during the Dress Goods season, thus enabling us to show new styles constantly.

Our assortment cannot fail to please the most | sutta Shirt, price SI. fastidious. Prices guaranteed as low and in

many instances lower than at any other houses. PRETZFELDER & CO.,

144 King street

my 21 SPECIAL NOTICE.

We have just received a new and elegant line of LADIES' LINEN SUITS, Linen Basques and Linen Overskirts, embroidered and trimmed in now designs, at prices that cannot fail to please PRETZFELDER & CO.,

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KEEP COOL.

Gauze Underwear for Ladies and Cents. Parasols! Parasols!

Fans! Fans! All in great variety and at low

PRETZFELDER & CO'S.,

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ICE CREAM, SODA WATER, &c.

NOTICE. I respectfully inform my customers and the public generally that having improved my facilities for the manufacture of ICE CREAM,

am now prepared to furnish families, picuies and parties at the lowest rates with a superior article, in quantities to suit.

My ICE CREAM PARLORS will be found

as comfortable as any in the city, they having recently been relitted for the comfort and convenience of my patrons, who will be served at all bours with DELICIOUS CREAM of any desired flavor, and ice cold SODA WATER, made of the purest Syrups.
FRUIT of all kinds in season

A large line of CONFECTIONEY GOODS, such as CANDIES, NUTS, &c., constantly on hand and for sale wholesale and rotail at bottom prices. CHRISTIAN SCHAFER, No. 3 north Fairfax st. Alexandria, Va.

my 22-3m READY FOR SUMMER.

H. BRENGLE'S

ICE CREAM PARLORS, King street,

Have been relitted and arranged in the most approved style of comfort and ease; and he promises during the present season to meet the wants of his patrons in the same acceptable

manner as for years past. Te Ice Cream, Water Ices, Soda Water, Cakes, Pies, Fruit and Confectionery always on

FROZEN CUSTARD made to order and delivered to any part of the city.

TONIC BEER, of my own manufacture, a superior article, drawn from a fountain always GLASSWARE,

Orders promptly attended to and families TCE COLD SODA, VICHY, KISSENGEN

BEDFORD WATERS, FIVE CENTS PER GLASS.

Cream,

Chocolste, Coffee, Tes and C Calisaya Syrupa N. W. cor. King and Royal streets

WORSTED FRINGES-Another supply just received at FERGUSON & BRO'S, 96 King street.

RECKIVED this day a large stock of Doors, Sash, Blinds, Builders' Hardware, Leads, Oils. &c., to which we call especial attention. mh 17

B. F. PEAKE & CO. ENGLISH ALK and BROWN STOUT for GEO. MCBURNEY & SON.

DRY GOODS. A LWAYS IN TIME!

Dotted and Figured Swisses,

Allendale Quilts, full 12 4

Mosquito Nettings

Tarlatons, all shades

Lace Shawls, Silk and Llams.

Black Grenadines for Shawls and Dressas

A new line of Embroideries, Laces, Veiling,

Belts, and a great many new style goods.

ISAAC EICHBERG'S, Successor to Slaymaker Co.

N. B .- We have several JOBS, and offer special inducements in DRESS GOODS at 121c a yard. Also Plain and Colored PERCALES at

LAWNS, ORGANDIES, BUNTINGS, &c. Monday, June 4, 1877.

ured Lawns, French Organdies, Linen Lawns and Linen Suitings; also Black, Navy Blue and Drab Bunting, price 372c per yard, Egyptian and Spanish Veiling, Silk and Lace Ties and Scarfs, &c., with many other desirable goods, all at popular prices.
D. F. BRASHEAR,

No. 100 King street, Alexandria, Va. **И.** В. Цоотев. GOODS FOR MEN AND BOYS.
SUITS SOLD COMPLETE.
We offer full lines of Cloths, Cassimores and Vestings, and keep constantly on hand a general variety of goods for men's wear, viz: Gloves, Suspenders, Cravats, Collars, Socks, Gauze Shirts, Handkerchiefs, and the celebrated Wammuts Shirt price Si

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D. BENDHEIM, 112 King st., Adj'g. Marshall House.

HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.

KEEP COOLI Just received a large lot of Refrigerators and Water Coolers

all of which will be sold at greatly reduced prices. Also a large assortment of STOVES, HOUSEKEEPING ARTICLES and HOME-MADE TIN WARE, wholesale and retail at THOMAS HOY'S, S. W. cor. King and Pitt sts. my 30-3m

Clarkson's Refrigerators,

AT 106 KING STREET.

McLEAN & UHLER, (Successors to A. H. Nott & Bro.,) DEALERS IN HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS, CUTLERY

PLATED, PLANISHED, STAMPED, JAPANED, TIN, WOOD AND WILLOW WARES, (of every description.)

A GREAT CONVENIENCE.

Save your time, labor and money by calling at Mrs. S. K. SNIDER'S

VARIETY STORE,
2d door from S. E. cor. King and Fairfax sts.,

To make your purchases in HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS.
She has in store and is constantly receiving large quantities of China and Queensware, Glass, Tin, Wood and Willow Ware, Brushes of an kinds, Dusters, Brooms, Rope, Blacking, Lan-terns, Lamps and Lamp Goods, all kinds of Il-luminating Oils and Toys in great variety. Wood and Willow Ware, Brushes of al mh 31-3m

E. J. MILLER & CO.,

Importers of CHINA AND QUEENSWARE,

And Dealers in WINDOW GLASS, CHANDELIERS

AND FANCY GOODS, NO. 65 KING STRKET, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

We beg to call your attention to our large and

purchased direct from the manufactories, which we guarantee to sell as low as they can be sold in any other market We trust by our constant application to your

interests and our low prices to merit your con-

tinued and valued favors. Our store will be kept open until nine o'clock at night. Thanking you kindly for your past patronage and awaiting your favors, we remain

WOOD AND COAL.

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On my wharf and to arrive during the season a full stock of

ANTHARCITE, CUMBERLAND and

WEST VIRGINIA COALS of best quality,

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and well accound. I will be pleased to supply my friends and customers at lowest market price. Delivered at houses, cars or hoats, per ton of 2240 lbs.

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We can now offer best quality ANTHRACITE COAL, prepared especially for family use at the following rates:

White Ash Egg and Nut Coal \$4.

White Ash Stove \$4.25.

Red Ash Egg and Nut \$4.25s\$1.50.

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Red Ash Stove \$4.50 and \$4.75.
Lyken's Valley \$5.50.
Cumberland \$3.50.
Per ton of 2240 lbs, delivered to any part of the city.
T. J. MEHAFFEY & CO., Wharf and yards foot of Queen street. COAL! For good CLEAN COAL go to T. J. ME-HAFFEY & COS., wharf and yard foot of

WINES AND LIQUORS.

DORTNER'S VIENNA LAGER in bottles. at 85 cents per dozen, delivered to all parts R. W. AVERY, 256 King st. my 15

RECEIVED THIS DAY A fresh supply of BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER, from Denmead's Arlington Brewery, to which we invite the attention of families and restaurants. Also their celebrated ALE in quarter kegs. W. A. JOHNSON, kegs. my 10 N. E. cor. Cam. & Royal sts.

REDUCTION IN BOTTLED BEER.per dozen, delivered to any part of the city. GEO. McBURNEY & SON, 166 and 170 King st.

Henry Englehardt's Lager Beer.

(Bottled for Family Use and Shipping.)
The attention of the public is respectfully called to a very superior article of LAGER and WEISS BEER, brewed from the best Malt and Hops, with the greatest care for its purity, and put up in the most convenient style with patent

stoppers.
Invalids or delicate persons will derive much benefit from its use. Orders left at Louis Appich's restaurant will receive prompt attention Country merchants and dealers supplied at lowest rates. Delivered to any part of the city. HENRY ENGLEHARDT,

West End Brewery. MACHINISTS, &c.

Alexandria Iron & Brass Works

JAMIESON & COLLINS, Proprietors.

Corner of Royal and Wilkes streets.

We are prepared to manufacture Steam Engines, Shafting and all kinds of Machinery; also to furnish Iron and Brass Castings of the best quality and workmanship. Having an unusually large and varied assortment of l'atterns, we can furnish Castings at reasonable prices and

short notice. W. S. MOORE, MACHINIST AND BLACKSMITH, No. 65 Union street, Alexandria, Va.

Repairing done with dispatch, and at prices that were charged provious to the war. in 20 PHILIP PARK, PRACTICAL PLUMBER No. 12 South Fairfax street. The oldest and best es ablished l'lumbing establishment in the city. All work done with dispatch, and in the most durable and workman-

II. JACOBS Desires to inform the public that he has again taken possession of his old stand, next door to the Gazette office, on Prince street, and will be happy to see all of his former patrons and any body else who wants a pleasant and artistic SHAVE or HAIR CUT. jan 30-tf

CALIFORNIA HOCK AND CLARET WINE, a very choice article for the use of invalids, just received and for sale by JANNEY & CO. POTOMAC HERRINGS -- No. 1 SHORE PACKED HERRINGS for sale by

THOMAS PERRY, Agent, 17 King street LADIES' CALICO BASQUES, WRAP-PERS and SUITS, a large variety at low prices. [my 29] FERGUSON & BRO. POTATOES! POTATOES!-100 bushels N. Y. State White Peach Blow Potatoes in store and for asle by

CHILDREN'S LINEN and PIQUE SUITS in choice styles at FERGUSON & BRO'S, 96 King street. WHITE WASH BRUSHES received and for sale by ap 4 F. J DAVIDSON, 147 King st. PRUNES-Another invoice of TURKISH PRUNES, which we offer at reduced prices. [my 22] W. A. JOHNSON.

WILSON'S CANNED CORN BEEF rewy ceived and for sale by my 20 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King st. CHOICE COUNTRY CURED HAMS for F. J. DAVIDSON. 147 King street.

RECEIVED THIS DAY ONE TIERCE CHOICE CAROLINA RICE. W. A. JOHNSON VERY OLD FRENCH BRANDY, strictly medicinal, for sale by medicinal, for sale by GEO. MCBURNEY & SON. CANNED LOBSTER, Barnham & Morrill's celebrated brand received and for sale by my 31 F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King at

je 1 GRO. McBURNEY & SON. ENGLISH and AMERICAN PICKLES in glass at low figures | GEO. McBURNEY & SON. PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

DRICES REDUCED. I am now putting up SETS OF TEETH AT GREATLY REDUCED RATES. Full sets from \$10 to \$15.

Partial sets in proportion. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Where sets are to be put in no charge will be made for extracting.
DR. FAWCETT, Dentist,

No. 11 N. Wash, st., Alexa., Va. DR. ROBERTSON, 19 south Entaw street, Baltimore, Md., from long experience in Hospital and Special Practice, will guarantee a Cure in all Diseases of the Urinary Organs, Nervous and Organic Weakness, General Debility, Impotency, (loss of sexual power) Exhaustion and all bad effects arising from early indiscretions and abuses. Also all Female Complaints. Diseases recently contracted positively. plaints. Diseases recently contracted positively cured in 5 to 10 days. Or. R., endorsed by the leading physicians of Baltimore, guarantees honorable and scientific treatment to all placing themselves in his hands. All consultations strictly confidential. Can be consulted in washington every Wednesday and Saturday, from 2 to 9 p. m., at his office, 921 D st., between 9th and 10th. Call or write, enclosing stamp for really.

H. O. CLAUGHTON. CHARLES E. STUART.

ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW, NO. 28 SOUTH FAIRFAX STREET,

ALEXANDRIA, VA.
Practice in the Courts of Alexandria, and the adjoining counties, and in the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia. sep 25

TOHN M. JOHNSON. ATTORNEY AT LAW,
Alexandria, Virginia.
Practising in the Courts of Alexandria and adjoining counties. Will attend the Loudonn Courts regularly.

DENTAL NOTICE DR. D. N. RUST,

Has removed his office to the NORTHEAST CORNER OF PRINCE AND WASHINGTON STREETS. A CARD.—Circumstances rendering it de-sirable that I should locate in Baltimore, I CARD.-Circumstances rendering it dohave transferred my DENTAL PRACTICE in Alexandria to DR. D. N. RUST. He has been for so many years associated with me as to need no introduction or endorsement, his skill, ability

being well known. I cordially commend him to the favor of my friends and patients, as well worthy of the position to which he succeeds, and bespeak for him the practice with which, for so long, I have been favored.

JAMES B. HODGKIN.

and reputation for honesty and high integrity

Alexandria, Va., mar 10-tf FANCY GOODS. BUSTLES and HOOP SKIRTS on hand and made to order at short notice.

my 7 FERGUSON & BRO'S.

my 7 CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES AT LESS THAN COST.

(Slightly defaced) At C. C. BERRY'S. CROQUET AND VEXILO SETS. A full line, from one dollar to ten dollars, per

set, in boxes, at ap 24 SUN UMBRELLAS! SUN UMBRELLAS! A full line of the above just opened at prices

to suit the times at ap 10 C. C. BERRY'S. FERGUSON & BROTHER.

NOVELTIES NEW GOODS, Consisting in part of Ladies' and Children's Fancy Lace Bibs, Ties, Bows, Ruillings; a large assortment of Hamburg and Nainsook Edgings at very low prices; Millinery Ornaments in all the new designs, in Pearl, Gilt and Shell; Bus-tles and Hoop Skirts, all styles, on hand and made to order at short notice; Alexander's Kid Gloves, in all the new spring shades, at \$1 per pair—overy pair warranted; our 75 ct. Glove is a very good article; Worsted Fringes and Buttons, in all shades; a large assortment of Corsets at all prices; our celebrated Sanitary Corset is recommended by medical men as the best in the

Hair Braids, Pulls and Curls, in all shades, constantly on hand. JAS, FERGUSON & BRO.,

ap 5 tf C.M.ADAMS,

Ladies' & Gents' Furn'g. Goods. LADIES DEPARTMENT. Kid Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Corsets, Searfs, Collars and Cuils, Handkorchiofs, &c. GENTS' DEPALTMENT.

Kid Gloves, Collars and Cuffs, Hosiery, Shirts, Handkerchiefs, Underwear, Scarfs, Ties and Bows, &c.

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

Cotton, Pins, Needles, Thread, Buttons, Edgings, Zophyr Worsted, Shetland Wool, Germantown Wool, Saxony Yarns, &c.

nov S. C. M. ADAMS, No. 92 King st.

ENCOURAGE HOME ENTERPRISE ALEXANDRIA BROOM FACTORY,

Old Sentinel Building,
Cameron st., bet. Royal and Pitt,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
Having bought the outlit of Mr. Wesley Avery for the manufacture of Brooms, we can now offer to the trade a line of Brooms in every way as well made, of as good stock, style and finish, and at prices as low as they can be bought of any manufacturer in the country. Motto—"Quick sales and zonal, proats," Call and see

for yourselves.

Brooms wholesale only.

Brooms wholesale only.

HOS. BEACH & CO. A MONG OUR NEW SPRING AND SUMMER STOCK

Ladies who have any desire to present a hand-some understanding will do well to examine them at WADDEY'S, 74 King at BULL'S BLOOD MIXTURE, Bull's Baby Syrup and Bull's Cough Syrup, just receiv-

We have some

NEW STYLES FOR LADIES WEAR

that are really beautiful.

ed and for sale by
JANNEY & CO., Druggists,
79 & 145 King st. J UST received this day another fresh lot of BOTTLED ALE and BORTER from Den-BOTTHED A. Brewery.

W. A. JOHNSON.

W ENGER'S Mt. JACKSON FAMILY
FLOUR for sale by
THOMAS PERRY, Agent, PERSIAN VEILING, the latest novilty of Corsels, the largest stock in the city and at the lowest prices, at jes FERGUSON & BRO'S., 96 King st.

TIERCES P. T. GEORGE & COS. BEST REFINED LARD for sale by ap 18 W. A. JOHNSON. STABLER'S and WINSLOW'S CANNED CORN just received by G. WM. RAMSAY. 80 9

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 13.

Washington Irving.

There was a whole crowd of strangers to diuner (says Miss Power), among whom was Wash ington Irving, a man of about sixty, with large beautiful eyes, a large well formed nose, a countenance still handsome, in which young little dimples and smiles bear witness to a youth fully fresh and humorous disposition and soul He must be a man of an unusually happy tent perament, and of the most excellent heart. Ho has surrounded himself with a number of nieces (he says he cannot conceive of what use boys are in the world,) whom he makes happy, and who make him so by their affection. He says he has the peculiar faculty of liking everything which he possesses, and everything which seeks his protection. He is an optimist, but not a conceited one. In the afternoon I begged him to allow me to take a prefile likeness of him; and, in order that he might not go quite asleep during the operation, I begged Angelica H. to

sit just opposite to him, and talk to him; and the plan succeeded excellently. The handsome old gentleman now became wide awake, loquacious and lively; and there was much vivacity in his smile, and so much fun in all the merry dimples of his countenance, that it is my own fault if I have not made one of the best and most characteristic portraits that has ever been taken of this universally beloved author. I am glad to have it to show it to his friends and admirers in Sweden. Washington Irving invited me and my friends to his house for the following evening. His house, or villa, which stands on the banks of the Hudson, re sembles a peaceful idyll; thick masses of ivy clothe one portion of the white walls and garland the caves. Fat cows fed in a meadow just before the window. Within, the room seemed full of summer warmth, and had a peaceful and cheerful aspect. One felt that a cordial spirit, full of the best sentiment of the soul, lived and

worked there. Washington Irving, although possessed of the politeness of the man of the world, and with great natural good temper, has, nevertheless. somewhat of that nervous shyness which so easily attaches itself to the author, and in particular to him who is possessed of delicacy of feeling and refinement. The poetical mind, by its intercourse with divine spheres, is often brought somewhat in disharmony with clumsy carthly realities. To these belong especially the visits of strangers and the forms of social intercourse, as we make them in good society on earth, and which are shells that must be cracked if one would get the juice of either kernel or fruit. But that is a difficulty for which

one often has not time. A portrait which hangs in Washington Irvng's drawing room, and which was painted many years since, represents him as a remarkably handsome man, with dark hair and eyes-a head which might have belonged to a Spaniard. When young he must have been unusually handsome. He was engaged to a young lady of rare beauty and excellence; it would have been difficult to meet with a handsomer pair. But she died, and Washington Irving never again sought for another bride. He has been wise enough to content himself with the memory of a perfect love, and to live for literature, friend

ship and nature. He is a wise man, but without wrinkles and gray hair. Indiscreet Letter Writing.

Saturday afternoon a commission de lunatico

inquirendo, composed of the Selectmen of the

town of Rutland, Vt., with two prominent physicians, decided that Mrs. Maria Payson is a lunatic and a dangerous person to be at large, and she will be sent in consequence to the State Lunatic Asylum at Brattleboro'. Her case is a peculiar one. She has carried on the business of a Parisian modiste in that town, and did a good business for a lunatic. She was born in Pittsford, Vt., in 1832, and in 1856 married Franklyn Payson, a lawyer, in New market; Walnut and Rustic Frames in all sixes; York. Soon after the marriage the husband and wife went South, Mr. Payson becoming editor of the Mobile Tribune and subsequently proprictor of the Black Creek Hotel, Jacksonville, Fla. Before Mr. Payson's death they resided in Texas, and when she become a widow Mme. Payson returned to Vermont the possessor of some money and the title to 22,000 acres of land in Texas. The present blight in her pros pects was caused by her interference in what has been secretly whispered about the town for a couple of years as a social scandal. The char acters are a prominent railroad man, who has figured somewhat conspicuously also in a mining scheme of considerable notoriety, and a young lady, a member of a respectable family in that town. The latter has been a favorite of the gentleman for a number of years, being a bright girl, quick to learn, and a profi cent musician. About four or five months ago the young lady received an anonymous letter, charging her with a grave crime, and one from which a modest young lady would naturally shrink with terror. This was followed by others of a like tenor, and later the scope of the cor respondence was broadened so that members of her family were informed of the alleged crime against social morality. About the same time the gentleman was made the recipient of simi lar epistles, and he, not knowing that the young lady had been written to, and looking on the case as blackmail, turned the letters over to a detective. The writer wanted \$8,000 for "hush" money, and had actually proposed certain ar rangements for the transfer of the money. Her identity was accidentally established, however, and, the whole mine exploded. A girl called at the young lady's house with a letter addressed in the familiar hand of the anonymous correspondent, and the messenger was traced to the house of Madame Payson, who was arrested and locked up. Then came whispers of insanity, and both sides seemed equally inclined to accept this solution. Mrs. Payson is now a le-

gal maniae, and so the curtain drops on the OPENING AND CLOSING OF MAILS,--Until further notice the following will be the hours for the opening and closing of the mails:

OPENING

Northern mails, 8:45 a.m. and 2 and 7:00 p.m. Western mails, 8:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Southwestern, via Lynchburg and Gordonsille, 7:00 p. m. Washington and Ohio, Round Hill to Alex-

andria, 3:30 p. m. Manassas Division, 2:30 p. m. Southern mails, via Richmond and Fredereksburg, Va., 8:45 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. Northern and Western mails, 4:45 p. m. and Southwestern, via Gordonsville and Lynch-

Washington and Ohio, Alexandria to Round Hill. Va., 8:00 a. m. Manassas Division, 6:00 a. m. Southern, via Fredericksburg and Richmond, Va.,4:45 p. m. and 8:30 p. m. For General delivery window closes at 8:00 p.

32 Open on Sundays at 9 a. m. and closes at

mh :

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